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## Endeavor Secretary Here.

The Field Secretary of the Kansas Christian Endeavor Union, W. I. Jones of Emporia, addressed the Christian Endeavor Societies of Liberal at the Presbyterian church Sunday evening. Following the address which was upon the fundamentals of Christian Endeavor he conducted a workers' conference upon the methods and problems of society work.

Mr. Jones is the first Field Secretary for Kansas and began his work last September only, and so this is the first time that a Kansas Field worker has ever visited Liberal. Since he began his work Mr. Jones has been calling upon the societies in the western part of the state holding at each place such a meeting as he held here, organizing district unions in conventions. Four such conventions were held in the Northwest in November and two more will be held in the Southwest in February. There are eighteen district unions in the state and it is purposed that each one of them be organized when the next state convention meets at Kansas City June 20, 21, and 22.

Liberal is in the Fifteenth district union which comprises the following counties; Clark, Meade, Seward, Stevens, Morton, Kiowa, Comanche, Stanton, Grant and Haskell. The Endeavors of this district are organized into a union and hold annual conventions.

The Christian Endeavor society is not an undenominational but an interdenominational body, fitted to work in and for any evangelical church body or denomination. The C. E. union does not give utterance to doctrine or creed and does not govern nor direct the local societies. All of that being left to the local church body or denomination. The C. E. union

purposes to inspire and educate its young people in better methods of expressing the Christian life. There are nearly one hundred denominations whose work for young people take the name of Christian Endeavor.

Mr. Jones went from here to Kismet where he will hold a meeting Monday evening.

## Railroad Men Here

Railroad promoters from Alva, who are working on a line from Winnipeg, Canada, to the Gulf and are especially interested in a branch of the road which passes from Alva to Denver, were here the first of the week and met our people at the Court House. They had a number of plans to present at this time and feel confident that we will get the road. However there will be something for Beaver county to do before we get it. Our people are awake to their needs and all we need is to be "shown" that we will get the road then all the builders need to do is to state the amount and it will be forthcoming. —Beaver Herald.

## To Drill in Gove.

A company with a capital of \$10,000 has been organized in Gove county to drill for gas or oil and the first prospect hole will be put down at or near Gove City. A Denver expert claims to have found strong indications in the vicinity and predicts that either oil or gas will be found in paying quantities 800 to 1000 feet below the surface. The drilling will begin early in the spring. There are people who insist that either oil or gas underlies a portion of Sheridan county, and we would like very much to see an effort made to find out whether or not there is anything to it.

## Reward Offered.

The Governor of Oklahoma has offered a reward of \$200 for the conviction of the person or persons who burned the court house at Guymon. The loss to Texas county will be between \$10,000 and \$20,000 with a little over \$6,000 insurance. It is said that Special Examiner Hanecke is "finding things" about the records at Guymon. The Herald says that the retiring officials with the exception of Jack Flanagan and Bob Cox are troubled with shorts, and that J. Fred Newsom is to the bad, worse than any of them. His shortage is said to be about \$1,600.

## Hurt in a Runaway

Last Saturday a fellow named McNulty who lives south of the river engaged a livery rig at the DuBois stable. With a young lady of the town he started for a dance out in the country. He had been drinking some, and the team became frightened and ran away. It smashed the buggy up, and threw both the young people out. McNulty sustained a fractured shoulder, and the young lady was badly shaken up, all of which goes to prove that an ounce of prevention is worth more than a quart of cure.

C. W. Hawk, Ben Pefford, W. R. Hoskinson, Fred Hoskinson, Geo. Lutz, J. W. Hoskinson, T. W. Hoskinson, H. H. Beard and Fred Stout went to Dodge City last Monday to make five year proof on their claims. All the boys filed on their claims about the same time. Even though the law will not require further residence here they will all stay right here in their former homes. They have all made money here and know a good thing when they see it.

## A Pitiful Case

Last Monday morning Marshall Youst took Albert Woodrum in charge near the Carson House. The boy who is only 16 years of age had been drinking and Youst asked where he had purchased the liquor. He pointed out a fellow in the Carson House. The information was laid before the County Attorney Commons, who immediately held an inquisition. It then developed that the fellow accused of giving the liquor to the boy had never seen the lad. The boy's father, A. L. Woodrum, got in three gallons of liquor on Tuesday of last week, and had left it at his home near the court house, in plain sight. On Monday morning the father took a drink and also gave the boy a drink before going down town. The son then helped himself liberally and became intoxicated. He was reprimanded and later dismissed. The most unusual feature of the case was the fact that the elder Woodrum had set such an example for the boy and had even gone so far as to give him liquor. He deserves little from this son for such an action, but for the sake of the boy himself who will suffer most we hope it will not occur again. It is true that but little could be expected of a boy with that sort of parent, but the community should do everything possible to help the boy to get a better start in life.

Successful revival meetings are in progress at the M. E. Church. Services 2:30 and 7:30 p. m. every day in the week. The pastor will be assisted by Rev. Joseph H. Smith, D. D. of Meridian, Miss. Jan. 20, to 29. Mr. Smith is one of the leading Evangelists in the church. You cannot afford to miss hearing him. Come.



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